MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mr. Seppala at 6:15 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Seppala, Schiffer, Jolly, Awad, Goldberg Del Castilho, Mooring, Pariseau, Brighty, Morales

SELECT BOARD'S ACTION

Universal Declaration of Human Rights

No action taken.

Water Use Regulations

VOTED unanimously to adopt the Water Use Regulation dated November 2002, as amended.

Street Closing and Parking Prohibition – Amherst Area Chamber of Commerce's Merry Maple VOTED unanimously to approve the following request from the Amherst Area Chamber of Commerce for the Merry Maple Celebration on December 6, 2002:

- close the Main Street parking lot, in front of the Town Hall, from 12:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
- prohibit parking in the Spring Street parking lot, north side only, from 2:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
- close Boltwood Avenue, between Spring Street and Main Street, from 12:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
- close Spring Street to through traffic (parking and access to be allowed), between Boltwood Avenue and Dickinson Street, from 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.

Street Closing and Parking Prohibition – Earth Day

VOTED unanimously to approve the request from the Amherst Earth Day Committee for the Sixth Annual Earth Day Celebration on April 27, 2003:

- close Spring Street parking lot from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- prohibit parking at 10 spaces on the west side of Boltwood Avenue from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Proclamation – Energy Efficient Lighting Awareness Month

VOTED unanimously to proclaim December 2002, as Energy Efficient Lighting Awareness Month.

Resolution – Climate Change Action Plan

VOTED unanimously to sign the Climate Change resolution.

Committee Appointments

No action taken.

Approve Minutes

VOTED unanimously to approve the Select Board minutes of November 18, 2002. VOTED unanimously to approve the Select Board minutes of November 25, 2002.

WARRANT ARTICLES

Article 1 – Petition - Special Act – Bilingual Education

VOTED unanimously to recommend Article 1.

Article 2 - Resolution – Bilingual Education

VOTED: Seppala, Jolly, Awad, Goldberg voted "Aye", Schiffer abstained, to support dismissal of Article 2.

PERMITS AND LICENSES

Live Entertainment – The Loose Goose

VOTED unanimously to approve the Live Entertainment License for JL Gourmet, Inc. dba The Loose Goose, 1 East Pleasant Street.

Annual Renewal of Licenses

VOTED: Seppala, Schiffer, Awad, Goldberg voted "Aye", Jolly abstained, to renew the attached list, dated December 2, 2002, for January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003, subject to the conditions attached to the licenses being renewed, that the businesses listed with an asterisk (*) be renewed for a three-month period and that the businesses listed with outstanding taxes not be acted on at this time.

One-Day Wine and Malt License – Newman Center

VOTED unanimously to approve the One-Day Wine and Malt License for Newman Center, 472 North Pleasant Street, on December 8, 2002, from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., in the Newman Center Cafeteria for a meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Question period

When is the petition deadline for a warrant article for the January or February Special Town Meeting. (Answer: the first week in January.)

Announcement

Bonita Weeks' promotion to Building Commissioner.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED unanimously to adjourn at 8:53 p.m.